

# LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **November 26, 2002**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 11

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:

(Confidential)

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: **Pedlar Reservoir Rules and Fees**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution establishing a policy for fishing on Pedlar Reservoir by adopting the proposed rules and fees. The primary purpose of the proposed rules is to protect the Pedlar Reservoir from zebra mussels.

SUMMARY: The Pedlar Reservoir is the primary drinking water supply for the City of Lynchburg. Currently the City allows the Pedlar Reservoir to be used for fishing. The proposed rules would continue to allow fishing but would prohibit boats and motors not controlled by the City from being used on the Reservoir.

PRIOR ACTION(S):

June 25, 2002 - Presentation to City Council Work Session on Pedlar and James River water resources

October 8, 2002 - Presentation to Physical Development Committee

November 5, 2002 - Recommendation by Physical Development Committee

FISCAL IMPACT: Purchase of three electric motors (with a thrust of less than 40 pounds) and three 4 stroke gasoline outboard motors with less than a 4 hp rating. The cost of the motors would be less than \$5,000. The motors would be purchased and maintained with funds from the Water Treatment budget. The annual operation and maintenance costs are estimated at \$150 for a gasoline motor and \$20 for an electric motor. The purchase and maintenance costs for this equipment would be repaid by the rental fees.

CONTACT(S): Stephen Bontrager, Utilities Director, 847-1322  
Bruce McNabb, Public Works Director, 847-1362

ATTACHMENT(S): Resolution, Draft Rules

REVIEWED BY: lkp

BE IT RESOLVED That Pedlar Reservoir Rules, dated November 26, 2002, are hereby adopted.

Adopted:

Certified:

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Clerk of Council

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# **CITY OF LYNCHBURG**

## **PEDLAR RESERVOIR RULES**

**(November 26, 2002)**

### **Definition.**

As used in this article, the word “Reservoir” shall mean the City of Lynchburg’s Pedlar Reservoir.

### **Applicability of article.**

The provisions of this article are applicable to only the Reservoir and the Reservoir property.

### **Temporary closing of Reservoir area.**

The Utilities Director for the City of Lynchburg can close or restrict access to the Reservoir when it is determined appropriate to do so. If such a decision is made, the Utilities Director will notify the Director of Public Works and the City Manager and document the reason(s) for the closing or restriction.

### **Hours for use of Reservoir restricted.**

The Reservoir hours are from 8:00 am to one-half hour prior to sunset.

### **Fishing.**

- (a) Fishing with terrestrial and artificial bait from boats or from the shore is permitted within the designated area.
- (b) Species, size limit or catch and captive fish count shall follow State Game Commission guidelines.
- (c) The following activities are prohibited:
  - (1) Frogging and the catching of turtles;
  - (2) Trapping or the seining of fish except by personnel of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries while on official duty;
  - (3) Fishing from any inner tube type conveyance that permits the human body to be partially submerged in the waters of the Reservoir;

- (4) Water contact sports, i.e., swimming, wading, etc;
- (5) Fishing from a boat within two hundred (200) feet of the dam or water intakes;
- (6) Use of alcoholic beverages or other controlled substances. No person under the influence of alcohol or other controlled substances shall operate or be a passenger in a boat on the reservoir or permitted on Reservoir property at any time.
- (d) Persons fishing must possess a valid state fishing license or be in compliance with State and local fishing regulations.
- (e) Fishing permit issued by the City of Lynchburg.
  - (1) No one person shall be permitted to fish on Pedlar Reservoir more than one Saturday or one Sunday during any calendar month. In addition, the same person will be permitted to fish two other weekdays in any calendar month, making a total of three days in any calendar month. The number of permits issued for any one day shall be limited to eight, of which number not more than four shall be issued to non-residents of the City of Lynchburg.
  - (2) Permits shall be applied for by the Applicant or a member of the Applicant's immediate family and shall be paid for in full at City Hall, Billings and Collections Division. The Billings and Collections Division shall not issue a permit for fishing more than thirty days in advance of the applied fishing date. No refund shall be made under any circumstances. Fishing permits are transferable if the original fishing permit is brought back to the Billings and Collections Division and the changes are made and initialed by an office staff member. All date transfers must conform to the quotas for the City residents and non-residents each day. Each fisherman must identify himself and deliver his permit to the Caretaker at the Reservoir, before proceeding to fish in the Reservoir.
  - (3) Fees for fishing permits, daily fishing, and related activities shall be established by the City Council.

### **Other Restrictions**

- (a) Hunting is prohibited on the premises and surrounding areas owned by the City of Lynchburg.
- (b) Bows and arrows, pets, dogs or other domestic animals are prohibited.

- (c) Carrying of firearms must be in compliance with State and federal law. Target practice is not allowed on Reservoir property.
- (d) Aggressive or threatening behavior is not allowed on Reservoir property.

### **Boating**

Boats may be leased from the City of Lynchburg in conjunction with fishing permits. Only those boats owned by the City of Lynchburg will be permitted on the Reservoir.

- (a) The fees for leasing boats and motors shall be established by the City Council.
- (b) Only City supplied gasoline motors and electric motors will be allowed on the Reservoir. (Fishermen will provide their own battery).
- (c) Inner tubes and other floatation devices are not permitted on the Reservoir.
- (d) Life jackets or cushions are required. The City will provide life jackets and throw cushions when necessary. All State and local safety laws apply.

### **Fees**

- (a) Fishing permits cost \$4.00 for each person.
- (b) Boat rental fees are \$5.00 per boat.
- (c) Motor rental fees are \$4.00 and include a gasoline motor (fuel supplied) and an electric motor (battery not supplied).